

## House Resolution No. 1855

**Whereas**, it is with genuine pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause in their diverse legislative endeavors in order to acknowledge milestone events in the lives of Show-Me State residents who have sought and gained citizenship in their adopted homeland; and

**Whereas**, Levina Lucy Pendergraft was born in the South American country of Brazil and came to the United States in 1981; and

**Whereas**, on April 8, 2005, in Kansas City, Missouri, Lucy Pendergraft will pledge her allegiance to the United States of America in the final step of the naturalization process as she becomes a citizen with all of the rights and responsibilities inherent in that special status; and

**Whereas**, the beloved wife of Steve Pendergraft, Lucy Pendergraft is justifiably proud also to be known as the loving mother of four boys, Marc, Glenn, Stephen, and Timothy, and three girls, Julie, Luci Ane, and Tiffany; and

**Whereas**, Lucy Pendergraft was employed by Gray County in Cimarrom, Kansas, for twelve years prior to her move to Missouri's Jasper County in 1997; and

**Whereas**, in September 1997 Lucy Pendergraft joined the maintenance department at the Jasper County Courthouse where she quickly became known for her helpfulness and friendliness as she completed her daily routine; and

**Whereas**, Lucy Pendergraft has developed and maintained an exceptional reputation for her additional activities at Forest Park Baptist Church, as a former PTA member who participated in school activities with children, and as the organizer of monthly County celebration luncheons; and

**Whereas**, Lucy Pendergraft's American citizenship will be celebrated by her family members, friends, and colleagues at a festive presentation and party on April 14, 2005:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to congratulate Lucy Pendergraft for her newly-acquired status as a citizen of the United States of America and to convey to her this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes for continued personal achievement for many more years to come; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Levina Lucy Pendergraft.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Steve Hunter, Dist. #127

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Representative Ronald F. Richard, Dist. #129

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Representative Ed Emery, Dist. #126

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Representative Bryan P. Stevenson, Dist. #128

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do  
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. 1855, adopted April 5, 2005.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker